

June 15th, 1918.

THE FRIENDS OF THE NATIONAL URBAN LEAGUE:

The National office of the League is now removed from Seventh Avenue, where the New York Urban League is still located, to room 1120, 200 Fifth Avenue, (the Fifth Avenue Building). As H. Hubert, formerly Executive Secretary of the Brooklyn Urban League is the new Executive Secretary of the New York Urban League, having been succeeded in Brooklyn by Mr. R.J. Elzy, formerly teacher at the Jesse K. Brick School, Knifield, N. C.

Eugene Kinckle Jones, is now giving his whole time to the national work—having recently been spending his time in organizing cities, such as Boston and East St. Louis, reorganizing work in St. Louis and Columbus, Ohio and securing greater efficiency and better living conditions for colored working-men and women in dozens of large industrial plants in many sections of the country. Mr. Jones addressed nearly 800 employment managers at their annual convention at Rochester and is following up the favorable impression made there by placing Negro labor advisers and welfare workers in plants employing any considerable amount of Negro labor. Hopewell, Va., Macon, Ga., Buffalo, N.Y., Indianapolis, Ind., Beloit, Wis., and Canton, Mo. firms have applied for these workers several of them already having their advisers at work.

Housing, recreational facilities, wages, family life, work efficiency and dependability are the principle matters handled in connection with the men and women by these welfare workers.

E.C. Lawrence, formerly pastor of a congregational church at Chicago and George W. Buckner, instructor in the Social Science at Tuskegee Institute, have just taken up their duties as secretaries respectively of the St. Louis and the East St. Louis work of the League. A budget of \$10,000, for the year's work has been assured for these cities—the Rotary Club of East St. Louis guaranteeing \$2,000, Mr. Julius Rosenwald of Chicago, \$1,000, the Provident Association of St. Louis about \$2,000 and the balance by interested Eastern friends of the National Urban League who would like to see the wrongs of East St. Louis righted.

The Detroit Urban League has just "graduated" its first "Day's Workers Class" of migrant women who have been given careful instruction in the rudiments of cooking, laundering and house-cleaning in a model flat fitted up especially for this work. Each "graduate" was awarded a "certificate of merit" when two employers gave written testimony of satisfactory service. The Detroit organization, through its director, Forrester B. Washington, has developed a recreation program for the colored men stationed at Fort Wayne while being trained to perform allly kinds of mechanical work in connection with the aviation service.

At the National Conference of Social Work recently held in Kansas City, T. Arnold Hill, Executive Secretary of the Chicago Urban League, spoke on, "Cooperation between white and colored people in Welfare Work". He also laid the foundation for a

REPORT FOR THE NEGRO WELFARE LEAGUE
for Six months Beginning January 1918.

EMPLOYMENT

387 professions made. They include manual worker, a stone mason, a
rigger, painter, jewelry on peddler, dancer and millwright,
joiner, joiner, construction worker, baker, a barber, woman
in house work, day worker, and a teacher, a student, a student, a student,
for an tobacco factory.

Made and sent to the Negro schools in Virginia and North Carolina to get students for farm work in New Jersey.

Handle for the General Underground Cable Company in Perth Amboy
New Jersey, telephone 101. Blagel worked in many of the various
Communities in Southern New Jersey.

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No one worker is employed by us. The Post-Reported Detention Board has lent us the services of their color workers and, with the aid of a group of Voluntary Workers, Fraternal Visitors, much effective work has been accomplished in dealing with the problems of the family and child.

RECREATION

Social Center in Belmont Avenue School, Boys Scouts and Boys Club in Female Charities Building, St. James Red Cross Chapter-117- members meet in Barometer Associated Charities Building. All gathered thru the League. Sent boys and girls on Auto Picnic, run by Auto Club. Preparing Summer outing for boys and girls.

COOPERATION

Board of Education, Board of Health, Department of Labor, Down Town Committee, Mayor's Committee on National Defense, Bureau of Charities, City Wide Community Boys Work, National Association For Advancement of Colored People, Pullman Union Society, New Jersey Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, New Jersey Federation of Colored Men's Clubs, Wilberforce Social Club, Peer and Alma, N. Y. and N. J. Employment Exchange, Central Employment Agency, Presbyterian Extension Board, Negro Circle of War Relief.

SPECIAL

Office of the Board of Education, Board of Health, Department of Labor, Down Town Committee, Mayor's Committee on National Defense, Bureau of Charities, City Wide Community Boys Work, National Association For Advancement of Colored People, Pullman Union Society, New Jersey Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, New Jersey Federation of Colored Men's Clubs, Wilberforce Social Club, Peer and Alma, N. Y. and N. J. Employment Exchange, Central Employment Agency, Presbyterian Extension Board, Negro Circle of War Relief.

The following is a list of the organizations which will purchase goods for the War Relief Center and in the work of the League will be conducted also.

NEGRO WELFARE LEAGUE BUILDING FUND NOW \$6,100.
 EXPECTS TO BE IN THEIR BUILDING BY OCTOBER. PLANS
 BEING MADE TO RAISE \$3,000 AMONG THE NEGROES HERE
 BY SECOND WEEK IN SEPTEMBER.

The following are contributors:-

Mrs. Felix Fuld	\$500.00
Batterworth-Judson Corporation	\$500.00
L. Hamburger	\$500.00
Frank I. Liverwright	\$500.00
Robertson S. Ward	\$500.00
Wallace H. Boudier	\$500.00
M. Strane & Sons	\$500.00
Chas. J. Beach	\$500.00
J. Williams Clark	\$500.00
L. Hollander & Sons	\$500.00
Dr. W. H. Hall	\$350.00
Mrs. A. M. Williams	\$350.00
E. S. Dwyer	\$100.00
O. H. Kelsoy	\$100.00
Forest F. Brown	\$100.00
Christian Flanagan	\$100.00
Peter Campbell	\$100.00
J. H. Leach & Co.	\$100.00
Pledge	\$50.00

That the appropriation of this building which is to be used for social work is a large one - \$3,000 - in this city may be shown, it is felt that the Negroes themselves ought to put forth some effort and give some money toward securing it. It should not be difficult for the colored people of this Community to raise \$3,000 toward this work. To this end plans are being made. The pastors of each church will be asked to show best spirit and enthusiasm about this movement. They will be expected to ask their members for subscriptions of at least \$1.00 each toward getting the remainder of this money. It is hoped that they will appoint their own Committees in the various Churches and that these Committees will be placed, as far as possible, persons who are already at work in interest of this fund.

The persons who have been asked to help in securing the money will please continue to do so. Those who have pledged will please bring or send such amounts to us at once.

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Through the kindness of the Executive Board of the Negro Welfare League, I was loaned to the State Department of Labor to make a trip south in order to try to get students who have had more or less training in farming to come to New Jersey to work on farms in the southern part of the state.

The trip extended over a period of sixteen days. During that time I visited eighteen schools beginning at Henricus Industrial School in Henricus, Virginia and continued as far south as Charlotte, North Carolina.

Despite competition in other lines by opportunities given in their own states and also those offered by other organizations north, I secured the names of about 150 men who wanted to come to New Jersey to work for the summer.

The fact that the names of three-times as many persons were secured than we expected makes the trip a complete success.

In order to insure retention of our own organization and myself, I had both the students and a member of the family of each school write Professor App, State Agriculturist.

As a result of this there are almost 100 students who have made application to Professor App and Mr. Spitz to come to New Jersey.

This I think clearly demonstrates two essential principles of the Negro Welfare League. First; Co-operation with Existing Agencies and Second; Co-operation between races.

This marked success from the first attempt makes it certain that more men could be secured another year if plans were made earlier and more time given to work up as it should be.